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## DeLorean Team to Defend Miller

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 6 (UPI) —The legal team that won John Z. DeLorean's acquittal on drug charges, convincing jurors that he was entrapped by a government "sting" operation, plans to defend Richard W. Miller, the former FBI agent accused with two Soviet emigrants of espionage, a lawyer said today.

"We have met, and there appears to be a mutuality of interest," said Howard Weitzman, the chief defense lawyer in the DeLorean case. "We think the guy is innocent, and we think there are some striking parallels between this case and the one we just finished trying."

### Lawyers See Parallel In Accused Spy's Case

DeLorean, 59, who was videotaped discussing a \$24 million cocaine deal with undercover FBI agents, was acquitted Aug. 16 after a 17-week trial. Weitzman and his partner, Donald Re, adopted a strategy of turning the tables and putting the government and its tactics on trial.

In an interview in today's Los Angeles Herald Examiner, Re said Miller, who was arrested last Tuesday with Svetlana Ogorodnikova and her husband, Nicolay Ogorodnikov, may have

been a "patsy" caught up in a plot orchestrated by the government.

Miller is the first FBI agent arrested for espionage. He has been charged with trying to sell secret FBI documents to the two reputed Soviet agents in return for the promise of \$65,000.

Miller, who was fired shortly before his arrest Tuesday, has indicated that he will plead not guilty to the espionage charge, which carries a possible life prison sentence. He and the two Soviets are being held without bond.

Weitzman said today that "getting things down in writing, some last-minute details" are all that need to be worked out.